

Amendment

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Offered by:

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To: Senate Bill No. **432** File No. 334 Cal. No. 252

"AN ACT CONCERNING AN AGREEMENT AMONG THE STATES TO ELECT THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES BY NATIONAL POPULAR VOTE."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Section 9-438 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 5 [In] (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this
- 6 section, in each municipality or voting district, the polling place or
- 7 places for [primaries] a primary held under sections 9-382 to 9-450,
- 8 inclusive, shall be the same as those used for the election to be held.
- 9 When unaffiliated electors are authorized under section 9-431 to vote
- 10 in the primary of either of two parties, both parties shall hold their
- 11 primaries in the same room of each such polling place.
- 12 (b) The registrars of voters of a municipality may reduce the
- 13 <u>number of polling places required under subsection (a) of this section</u>

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14 and shall designate such polling place or places not later than sixty 15 days prior to a primary held under sections 9-382 to 9-450, inclusive, the location of which may be the same as or different from the location 16 17 of polling places required under subsection (a) of this section. Not 18 earlier than sixty days prior to such primary, but not later than forty-19 five days prior to such primary, the registrars of voters shall notify the 20 Secretary of the State and the candidates seeking nomination to an 21 office in such primary of the change in the polling place or places. If a 22 candidate petitions for nomination to an office after the registrars of 23 voters have notified candidates of such change, the registrars shall 24 immediately notify the petitioning candidate of such change. If any 25 candidate objects to a change in the polling place or places, the 26 candidate shall notify the Secretary of such objection not later than four o'clock p.m. on the thirtieth day prior to the primary. Such 27 28 notification from the candidate shall be in the form of a written letter, 29 signed by the candidate, and shall be held confidential by the Secretary. The Secretary shall promptly notify such registrars of voters 30 and any candidate seeking nomination to an office in such primary 31 32 that the Secretary has received a letter of objection, which notification 33 shall not identify the candidate who objected. If such a candidate so 34 objects, or if a municipality's registrars of voters cannot agree upon a polling place or places for a primary, the polling place or places shall 35 36 be the same as those used for the election to be held. Not later than 37 twenty-five days prior to a primary, the registrars of voters shall send 38 notification of the polling place for the primary, by mail, to each elector whose polling place for the primary will be different than the elector's 39 polling place for the election, except that no registrar of voters shall be 40 41 required to so notify an elector for any subsequent primary, provided 42 the primary polling place for such elector remains the same as that which was provided for in the initial notification. If any polling place 43 44 that would otherwise be open pursuant to subsection (a) of this section is closed pursuant to this subsection, the registrars of voters shall 45 46 ensure that a sign is posted at such polling place providing electors 47 with information to redirect the electors to the open polling place or 48 places for the primary. When unaffiliated electors are authorized SB 432 Amendment

under section 9-431 to vote in the primary of either of two parties, both 49 50 parties shall hold their primaries in the same room of each such polling place. Notwithstanding any provision of title 7 or this title, any special 51 act, charter or ordinance, if the number of polling places is reduced 52 53 pursuant to the provisions of this subsection, the number of 54 moderators required for such primary may be reduced, if the registrars 55 of voters so agree, provided at least one certified moderator serves each polling place. 56

57 (c) On the day of the primary, the polls shall remain open for voting 58 from six o'clock a.m. until eight o'clock p.m."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Sec. 501 from passage 9-438